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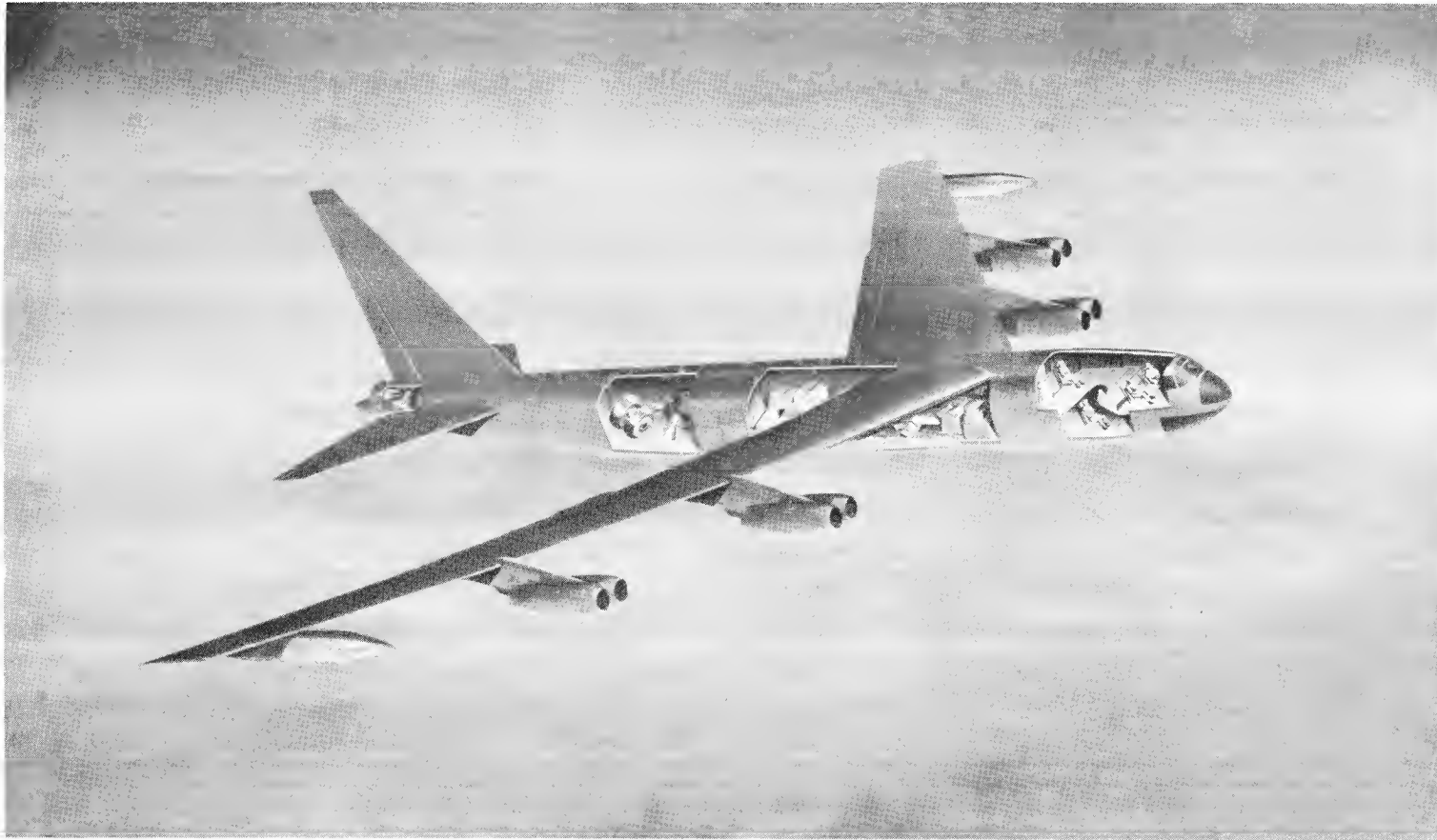
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# Standard Aircraft Characteristics

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**B-52C**  
**STRATOFORTRESS**

EIGHT J57-P-19W

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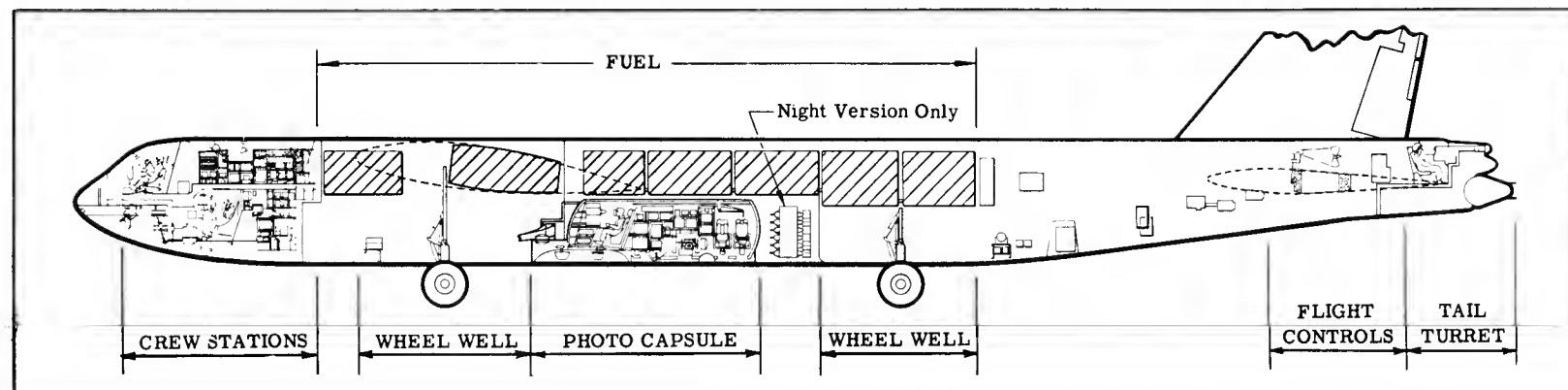
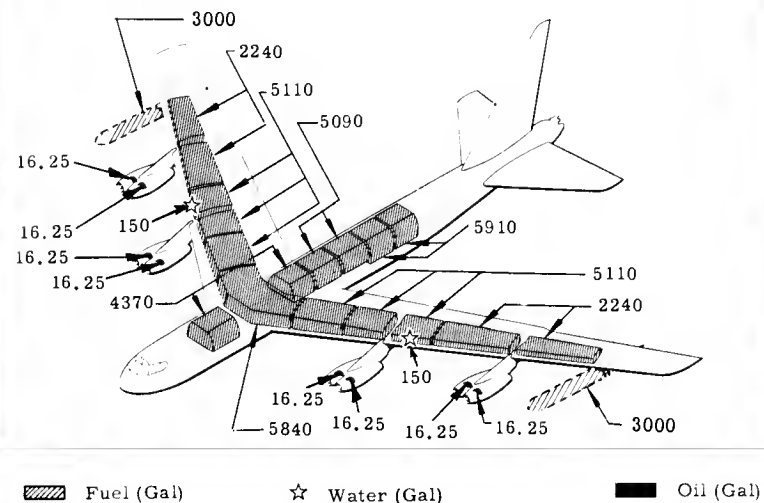
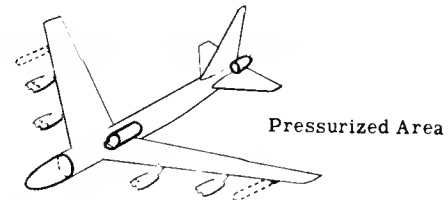
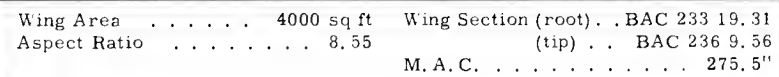
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B-52C  
(RECONN. VERSION)

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**POWER PLANT**

No. & Model . . . . (8) J57-P-19W  
 Mfr . . . . . Pratt & Whitney  
 Engine Spec . . . . . A-1649-G  
 Type . . . . . Axial  
 Length . . . . . 157.7"  
 Diameter . . . . . 40.5"  
 Weight (dry) . . . . . 3970 lb  
 Tail Pipe . . . . . Fixed Area  
 Augmentation . . . . . Water

Note: At present there are no requirements for ATO

**ENGINE RATINGS**

S. L. Static LB- \*\*RPM - MIN

Max: \*12,100 - 6450/9900 - 5

Mil: 10,500 - 6150/9900 - 30

Nor: 9000 - 5900/9650 - Cont

\*Wet

\*\*First figure represents low pressure spool; second figure represents high pressure spool.

**DIMENSIONS**

Wing  
 Span . . . . . 185.0'  
 Dihedral (chord plane) . . . 20°30'  
 Incidence (root) . . . . . 6°  
 Sweepback (LE) . . . . . 36°58'  
 Length . . . . . 156.6'  
 Height (overall) . . . . . 48.3'  
 Height (fin folded) . . . . . 20.8'  
 Tread (outrigger) . . . . . 148.4'  
 (main gear) . . . . . 11.4'

**Mission and Description**

Navy Equivalent: None

Mfr's Model: 464-201-6

The principal mission of the B-52C (Reconn Version) is day and night photo, weather and electronic reconnaissance.

The normal crew of eight consists of pilot, co-pilot, (2) bombardier-navigators, tailgunner, ECM operator, and (2) reconnaissance electronic operators.

Automatic cabin pressurization, heating and ventilation are provided for crew comfort during normal and combat operation.

Ejection seats for emergency escape are afforded the crew except for the tail gunner, who bails out after jettisoning the tail section containing the gun turret.

Flight control, throughout the speed range from limit dive speed to landing speed, is accomplished by use of spoilers and allersons on the wing; elevators on an all-movable horizontal tail; and a rudder on a fixed vertical tail surface. The spoilers also function as air brakes used in landing.

Air is bled off the engines for thermal anti-icing of the wing and tail surface leading edges.

Other features are single-point ground and aerial refueling, braking parachute for decreasing landing roll distance and a steerable landing gear to aid in cross-wind take-off and landing. The airplane utilizes the A-14 Auto Pilot and the N-1 Compass.

The B-52B (Reconn Version) has the reconnaissance capsule in the bomb bay.

Major differences from the B-52B (Reconn Version) are the installation of -19W engines in place of -1W engines and an increase in fuel tank capacities.

B-52B airplanes contained within A. F. Serial Nos. 53-377 thru 53-398 will also have -19W engines.

Design Initiated

First Flight

First Acceptance

**Development**

Dec 53

Mar 56

(est) Aug 56

**B O M B S**

No. Class (lb)  
 24 . . M-120A1 . Flash Bombs . 165

**G U N S**

No. Type Size Rds ea Loc  
 4 . . M-3 . . . 50 . . 600 . Tail, tur

**C A M E R A S**

No.	Type	Lens
4	Multi Camera Station	36"
1	K-38	12"
3	Tri Camera Station	6"
1	T-11	6"
1	K-37 (vertical)	12"
1	K-36	24"
1	*O-15 Radar Recording	

\*No fixed station

**W E I G H T S**

Loading	Lb	L. F.
Empty . . . . .	168,737(C)	
Basic . . . . .	172,480(C)	
Design . . . . .	†453,000	2.0
Combat . . . . .	*289,900	2.3
Max T.O. . . . .	**450,000	2.0
Max In-Flt . . . .	†450,000	2.0
Max Land . . . . .	270,000	

(C) Calculated

\* For Basic Mission

\*\* Excludes 2500 lb water

† Max taxi, wt, 10,000 lb bomb

‡ Limited by structure

**F U E L**

Location	No. Tanks	Gal
Wg, outbd . . . . .	2	4480
Wg, ctr . . . . .	1	5480
Wg, inbd* . . . . .	4	10,220
Fus, fwd* . . . . .	2	4370
Fus, ctr* . . . . .	1	5090
Fus, aft* . . . . .	1	5910
Wg, drop . . . . .	2	6000
Total		41,550

Grade . . . . . JP-4  
 Specification . . . . . MIL-F-5624

**OIL**  
 Nacelle . . . . . 8 . . . . (tot) 130  
 Specification . . . . . MIL-L-7808A

**WATER**  
 Wg, L. E. . . . . 2 . . . . . 300  
 \*Self-Sealing

**ELECTRONICS**

UHF Command . . . . . AN/ARC-34  
 Liaison . . . . . AN/ARC-21X  
 IFF . . . . . AN/APX-25  
 Radar Beacon . . . . . AN/APN-76A  
 ECM Trans (2) . . . . . AN/APT-6  
 ECM Trans (1) . . . . . AN/APT-9  
 ECM Trans (2) . . . . . AN/ALT-7  
 ECM Recv'r (1) . . . . . AN/APR-14  
 Interphone . . . . . AN/AIC-10  
 Bombing Sys . . . . . MA-6  
 Nav. Recv'r . . . . . AN/ARN-14  
 Fire Control Sys . . . . . A-3A

See page 7 for additional equipment.

## Loading and Performance—Typical Mission

C O N D I T I O N S			BASIC MISSION		FERRY RANGE
			NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT
TAKE-OFF WEIGHT	⑦	(lb)	450,000	447,845	447,955
Fuel at 6.5 lb/gal (grade JP-4)		(lb)	268,160	270,075	270,075
Payload (Flashbombs)		(lb)	3960	None	None
Wing loading		(lb/sq ft)	112.5	112.0	112.0
Stall speed (power off)	⑨	(kn)	147	147	147
Take-off ground run at SL	①	(ft)	8000	7880	7900
Take-off to clear 50 ft	①	(ft)	10,300	10,180	10,190
Rate of climb at SL	③	(fpm)	2225	2240	2235
Rate of climb at SL (one engine out)	②	(fpm)	2440	2450	2450
Time: SL to 20,000 ft	③	(min)	10.8	10.7	10.7
Time: SL to 30,000 ft	③	(min)	18.0	17.9	17.9
Service ceiling (100 fpm)	③	(ft)	37,550	37,700	37,650
Service ceiling (one engine out)	②	(ft)	37,050	37,200	37,150
COMBAT RANGE	④	(n. mi)	—	—	6800
COMBAT RADIUS	④	(n. mi)	3335	3370	—
Average cruise speed		(kn)	453	453	453
Initial cruising altitude		(ft)	33,500	33,600	33,600
Target speed		(kn)	476	476	—
Target altitude		(ft)	44,950	45,150	—
Final cruising altitude		(ft)	50,200	50,200	50,200
Total mission time		(hr)	14.74	14.91	15.04
COMBAT WEIGHT		(lb)	289,900	291,100	193,600
Combat altitude		(ft)	44,950	45,150	50,200
Combat speed	②	(kn)	493	490	507
Combat climb	②	(fpm)	680	660	1210
Combat ceiling (500 fpm)	②	(ft)	45,850	45,800	54,050
Service ceiling (100 fpm)	③	(ft)	46,450	46,400	54,900
Service ceiling (one engine out)	③	(ft)	44,800	44,750	52,900
Max rate of climb at SL	②	(fpm)	5170	5145	7830
Max speed at optimum Alt.	② ⑤	(kn/ft)	551/20,200	551/20,200	552/20,450
Basic speed at 35,000 ft	②	(kn)	519	519	525
LANDING WEIGHT		(lb)	193,500	193,500	193,600
Ground roll at SL	⑩	(ft)	2350	2350	2350
Ground roll (auxiliary brake)	⑥ ⑩	(ft)	2110	2110	2110
Total from 50 ft	⑩	(ft)	4000	4000	4000
Total from 50 ft (auxiliary brake)	⑥ ⑩	(ft)	3790	3790	3790

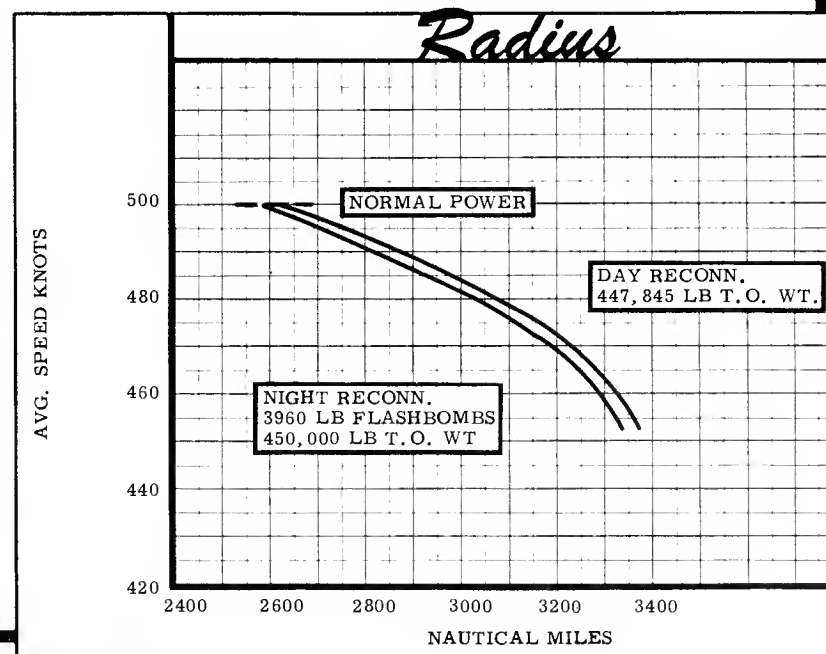
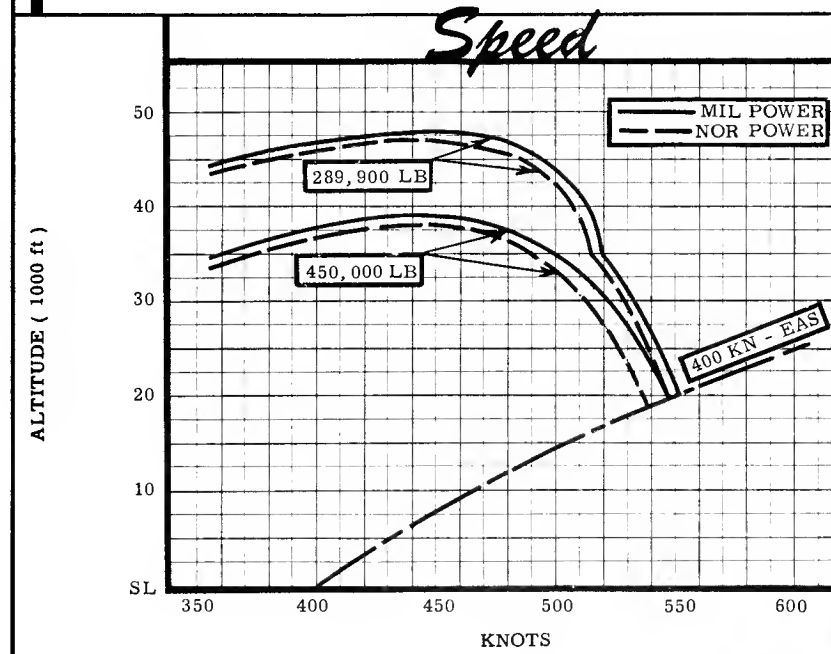
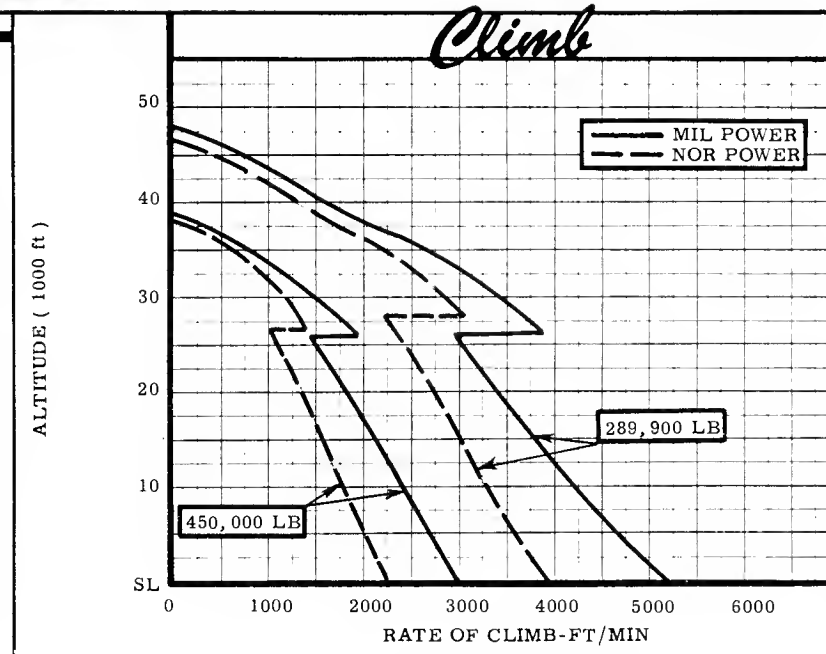
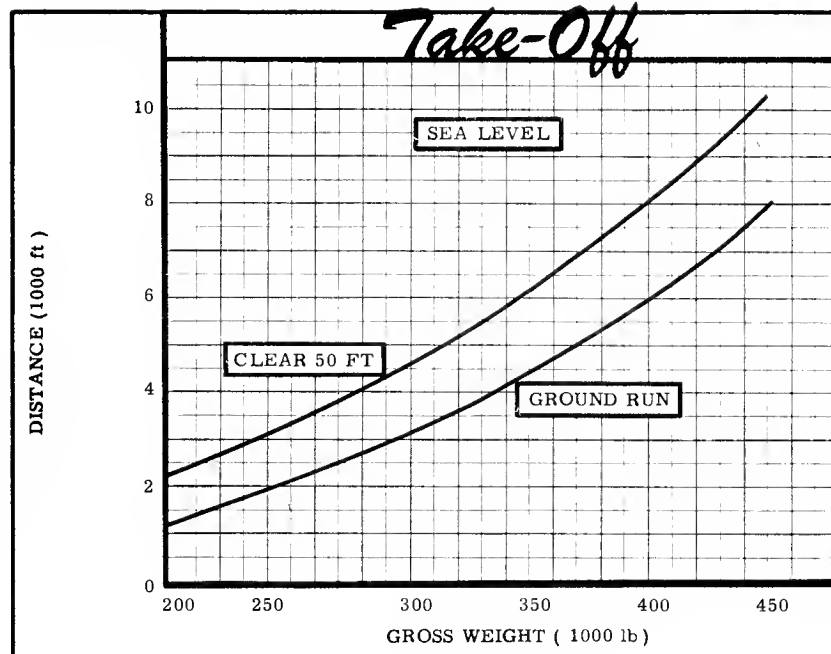
NOTES

- ① Take-off power  
 ② Military power  
 ③ Normal power  
 ④ Detailed descriptions of RADIUS and RANGE missions given on page 6.  
 ⑤ Limited by structure

- ⑥ With drag chute  
 ⑦ Excludes 2500 lb water  
 ⑧ Limited by fuel capacity  
 ⑨ Initial buffet, flaps down, S. L.  
 ⑩ Braking force limited to 40,000 lb.

## PERFORMANCE BASIS:

- (a) Data source: Flight test of B-52A  
 (b) Performance is based on powers shown on page 3.



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Take-off and climb on course to optimum cruise altitude at normal power. Cruise out at long range speed, increasing altitude with decreasing weight; external tanks are dropped when empty. Climb so as to reach cruise ceiling 15 minutes before reaching target. Run in to target at normal power, drop flash bombs on night mission, conduct 2 minutes evasive action and 8 minutes escape at normal power. Cruise back to base at long range speed and optimum altitudes; as an alternate, a 45,000 foot ceiling may be maintained on the return leg with no radius penalty. Range-free allowances are fuel for 5 minutes at normal power for take-off allowance, fuel for 2 minutes at normal power for evasive action, and fuel for 30 minutes maximum endurance (4 engines operating) at sea level plus 5% of initial fuel load for landing reserve.

FORMULA: RANGE MISSION III

Take-off and climb on course to optimum cruise altitude at normal power. Cruise out at long range speed, increasing altitude with decreasing weight; external tanks are dropped when empty. Land at remote base with only reserve fuel remaining. Range-free allowances are fuel for 5 minutes at normal power for take-off allowance and fuel for 30 minutes maximum endurance (four engines operating) at sea level plus 5% of the initial fuel load for landing reserve.

GENERAL DATA:

(a) Landing reserve for Basic Mission is equivalent to 810 nautical miles at cruise altitude.

PERFORMANCE REFERENCE:

Boeing document D-15134A, "Substantiating Data Report - Models B-52B (J57-P-19W engines), B-52C and B-52D Standard Aircraft Characteristics Charts", dated 21 January 1956.

REVISION BASIS:

To incorporate latest flight test data.

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# SUPPLEMENTAL NOTES



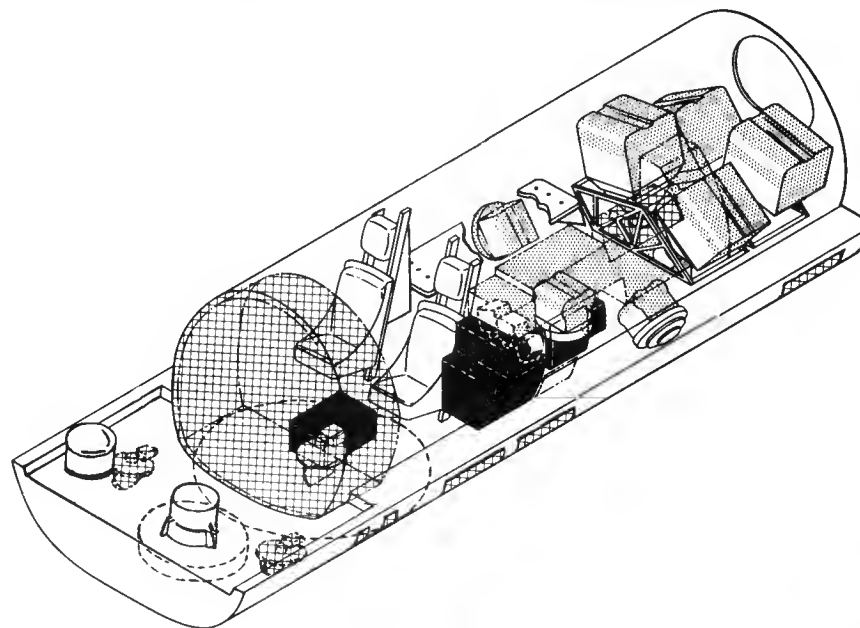
PHOTO RECONNAISSANCE



ELECTRONIC RECONNAISSANCE



WEATHER RECONNAISSANCE



The following Electronic equipment is supplemental to that shown under Electronics on Page 3.

Carrier	Glide Path Rec. . . . (1) . .	AN/ARN-18
	Marker Beacon . . . . (1) . .	AN/ARN-12
	Early Warning . . . . (1) . .	AN/APS-54
	Chaff . . . . . (1) . . . .	AN/ALE-1
Capsule	Panoramic Receiver . . (3) . .	AN/APR-8B
	Direction Finder . . . (2) . .	AN/ALA-6
	Pulse Analyzer . . . . (2) . .	AN/ALA-5
	Recorder . . . . . (2) . .	AN/ANQ-1A
	ECM Receiver . . . . . (2) . .	AN/APR-9
	ECM Receiver . . . . . (1) . .	AN/APR-14
	Interphone . . . . . (2) . .	AN/AIC-10

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